MINERAL KING DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING

Jim Barton Cabin, August 6, 1983
10:30 A.M.

OPENING: President Stony Savage introduced the Board members, then our guests, Superintendent Boyd Evison who intr-duced District Ranger John Kraushaar. The other Park Rangers on duty at Mineral King were also introduced.

MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT; Ora Kay Person read the minutes of last year's meeting which were approved as read.

Beginning balance of $648.68 August 7, 1982. We received $1,460.00 and our expenses were $1,821.04, leaving a closing balance of $442.20. Saving account total as of August 7,1982 was $1,532.71; Total as of Ausust 5, 1983, is $1.615.32. Interest from Sept.to Dec. 1982 was $41.11; March to June 1983 was $41.50, with total of $82.61.

Ora Kay thanked the membership for the quick response paying membership and security dues, becuse without the participation we could not keep the members informed on conditions and concerns regarding our cabins, especially this past winter.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: Stony Savage commended the Park Rangers for the excellent Campfire presentations and Nature Hikes. We appreciated the work done by Ranger Anne Walston, law enforcement, regarding security this past winter.

Our concerns are the condition of the M.K. road now that the Park has taken this over, problem bears, garbage, policy regarding opening and closing of the road, access to cabin owners, speed zone in cabin areas, arranging with Park on the garbage problem.

COMMENTS BY SUPERINTENDENT BOYD EVISON: The road will be chained only during dangerous conditions. If you wish to come to your cabin during the winter, please call Ash Mt. to make sure someone will let you through. They hope to maintain the road in better shape by putting in better drainage in certain areas. There will be a complete resurfacing on the unpaved sections, but will be just as twisting and as narrow as ever! Evison has no objections to placing speed zone signs.

ROAD

GARBAGE The garbage is collected by BEAVERS in Ivanhoewith the Par dumpsters collected at Atwell Mill. The Park would be in agreement for having a common site bear-proof dumpster placed for cabin owner use. The dumpsters cost $150.

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BEARS The Park must have complete cooperation of the cabin owners regarding garbage and Kool cans, otherwise there will be severe action taken by the Park service considering renewal of leases.

SECURITY: The Park could make some arrangement through Anne Walston to extend coverage and share in cost.

PROPERTY ACQUSITION; Boy Evison gave a brief history of the National Park Service in Mineral King from November 1978 to the spring 1983. Permits of cabin owners are on a five year renewable lease basis on option by the Secretary of the Department of Interior for the lifetime of the permittee of record. The new Draft Land Protection Plans will be mailed soon. All private lands will be acquired if they are a serious threat.

Silver City: will follow Tulare County ordinances. Evison feels the plans for the development of Silver City is a nice thing----he approves.

Disney Property: This property is high on the priority for acquisition either by cash or other options. There is a need for comfort stations at the trail heads.

RANGER ANNE WALSTON: Announcment of a 24 Hour Emergency Dispatch Number: (209) 565-3341

There is a new Mineral King fire truck. We are invited to participate in learning how to use the fire truck if we would like instruction.

COMMENTS: Ron Kennedy proposed we write a letter to give the taxes we pay to the County to the Park to help maintain the road. No action was taken.

Jeff Davis offered to patch up the big holes in the road with DG and cold asphalt. Evison said there might be a liability problem to contact LeRoy Malloy.

Ranger Betty Knight spoke of the new Sequoia Natural History Association which has been formed. We are all invited to join this educational organization.

Nadine Hack: Spoke of the parking problem at the trailhead of the Disney property.

Boyd Evison said there was still time to respond to the land protection plan if we have not already.

Alan Ewen moved that the membership fee remain at $10.00 and that the Board look into the arrangement for garbage service for the next summer. This was approved by Bea Cochrun and 2nd by Koontz.

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SPEED ZONE: Kennedy recommended a 15 mile speed zone through Faculty Flat and on up into the Valley and give the Board Authority to do it.

Put pressure on the Board to settle the garbage problem by next summer---a pledge, anf act on it timely!

NATIONAL INHOLDERS ASSOCIATION: Stony Savage spoke of looking into the NIA since we no longer belong to the National Forest Recreation Association (NFRA). Guy Wollenman spoke in favor of this. Kennedy proposed that the Board look into the organization and report next year after their research. OPPOSED: Koch and Dixon. It was moved and 2nd we research this organization and report by mail or next newsletter and perhaps have individual balloting to get the feeling of the membership.

SECURITY: A motion was made and passed unanimously for the Board of Directors to investigate security for next winter, work something out and assess a fee consistent with cost.

Marty Peterson spoke of his winter in Silver City and Mineral King and his experiences with the record snowfall.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: If there is a vacancy on the Board, Earl Myers and Mike Huffman would like to be considered.

NEXT ANNUAL MEETING DATE: Set up the next meetin date for the 1st weekend in August as previous. Meeting was adjourned for the Annual Pot Luck at Cochrun Cabin.

Respectfully submitted,

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